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KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS CONTRACTS FOR ENHANCED INMATE BANKING, ELECTRONIC MESSAGING AND VIDEO VISITATION

Kansas Secretary of Corrections Roger Werholtz today announced that the Department of Corrections has entered into a contract amendment with Embarq™ Payphone Services Inc., a unit of Embarq™ Corp., of Overland Park to improve security and reduce the introduction of contraband, reduce staff time and involvement in screening mail and generate commissions for the KDOC in the areas of inmate trust accounts (banking), mail, and visitation. Embarq™, the Department's provider for inmate telephone services, will utilize the services of JPay, Inc., of Miami, Florida, in providing these services.

"For years, the administration of inmate financial accounts and processing of mail has required a significant amount of staff time," Secretary Werholtz said. "Inmate mail is one of the primary methods for introducing contraband into a correctional facility and also requires significant staff resources. I am very pleased that the services offered by Embarq/JPay will help us dramatically improve our ability to process, monitor and track these activities."

Utilizing JPay's kiosk platforms located in each Kansas correctional facility, friends and family members of Kansas inmates can:

- Send funds to an inmate on-line, by phone, or at cash locations. Previously, money orders had to be processed by hand in each of the facility business offices.
- Send electronic messages to specific inmates, and inmates can respond via electronic mail to those on the outside who have initiated the electronic message contact. Previously, each incoming envelope was opened and inspected for contraband. Depending on security issues involving a particular inmate, each incoming piece of mail from family or friends was read by a staff member. The volume of paper processed by facility mail rooms is expected to decrease dramatically using the JPay messaging system. This service is expected to be operational in May 2009.
- Conduct video visiting from an off-site location. Travel is frequently difficult for an inmate's family or friends. Video visitation will dramatically reduce the amount of time

someone spends traveling to and from a facility, and reduce the number of visitors who are processed in to and out of a facility for visitation. This service is expected to be operational later this year.

Founded in 2001, JPay now provides services to more than 1,000,000 inmates in the United States. JPay is the industry leader in providing innovative technology solutions for correctional environments.

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